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PRESIDENT WILL PUT MEXICO IN POSITION OF BEING AGGRESSOR

Although Determined U. S. Troops Shall Protect Themselves, Awaits Report Before Next Move.

POLICY OF PATIENCE TO BE PURSUED TO LAST MOMENT

Ambassador Designate Arredondo Presents Protest From Carranza Against "Warlike Movement" of American Commander in Engagement Yesterday at Carrizal.

President Wilson will sit tight over the latest phase of the Mexican situation-the fight between troops of the United States and troops of the de facto government-until facts arrive from sources ington is now grossly underassessed in which he has full confidence.

That was all the information that came from the White House today as to the new crisis in Mexico. It was the information that had gressional committee and the conclusive been expected by those in touch with President Wilson's purposes

Just at this moment the administration wishes soldiers of the nited States in Mexico to act on the defensive and to take aggressive steps only when it is necessary to safeguard themselves against dangerous attacks. The aggressors must be the Mexicans, and it capital's needs in current maintenance and in judicious upbuilding through must become manifest to the administration that the attacks upon American troops are in obedience to deliberately executed orders from high authorities of the de facto government. Unfortunate clashes through misunderstandings or through the errors of Mexican army

The apparent surpluses of District the administration that the attacks upon Much more than this amount could be wisely and economically expended to-day upon the capital in accordance with the standard set by other great American cities.

The apparent surpluses of District two money in recent successive years

officers acting upon their own initiative will not lead to aggressive steps on the part of the administration.

Will Satisfy South America.

The President's policy of patience will be carried to the extreme limit, so that all South America and the world may understand that the United States did not seek or wish war with Mexico, and was compelled to enter this condition because of attacks from Mexicans themselves.

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The Commissioners' estimates have been unduly augmented; the appropriations on

War May Precede Declaration.

The President will not go to Congress suggesting a declaration of war upon Mexico until the very last minute. Actual war may begin long before Congress is communicated with on the aubject, but when the President does does dispatches showed that a number of dead were left on the field of the entered that the dexican forces had taken seventeen Mex-

subject, but when the President does take the matter to Congress he wants be able to advise that body that diers of this country sent into Mexito punish bandits, have been attacked by troops of the Mexican government acting on orders from the sing Mexican government. That put the onus of war on the Mexito put the onus of war on the Mexito matter of the matter of the country.

There was not the least excitement abund the White House during the day. The President worked in his ofnees from 16 o'clock until 1 o'clock, when he went to luncheon. Secretary Baker of the War Department had seen the President at 3 o'clock, presenting dispatches and receiving instructions, but he did not call after that. The President's callers were sensitors, representatives and others, all on different missions.

Grim Purpose Is Evident.

A stir of grim purpose was eviden ut the State, War and Navy depart ments today, while the government awaited official reports from United States Army officers on and below the Mexican border, concerning news dispatches of last night and today which said that Carranza troops had killed. wounded and taken prisoner a large number of American soldiers in a batle near Carrizal, Mex.

One of the first things done was the presentation by Secretary of War Baker to Chairman Hay of the House military affairs committee, after consultations with President Wilson and Secretary of State Lansing, of a resolution authorizing the President to draft National Convolutions willing to take the federal dsmen willing to take the federa Guardsmen willing to take the federal oath into the regular army immediately. If possible, Mr. Hay said, he would obtain consideration of the resolution by unanimous consent, but he said he was prepared to ask for a special rule to handle the resolution in the House if nocessary. The resolution differs slightly from the provisions of the measure orginally prepared for bringing the National Guard into the federal service, in that it provides for service "during the period of the emergency."

Mexico Enters a Protest.

Eliseo Arredondo, ambassador desig nate of the de facto government of Mexico, sought an engagement to see Secretary Lansing, and presented a communication from the Mexican minister of foreign affairs, asking the meaning of what his government considers warlike moves of the United States. Secretary Lansing told him he had no official information on which to discuss the Carrizal affair, and, accorddiscuss the Carrizal affair, and, according to Mr. Arredondo, he also was without knowledge of whether any Mexican towns had actually been occupied, notwithstanding news dispatches today that Gen. Pershing has occupied the towns of Casa Grandes and Nuevo Casa Grandes in Mexico.

Mr. Arredondo said that he called Secretary Lansing's attention to the

tary Lansing's attention to the ance traversed from their base by American troops, in view of the that they were at Carrizal, and what he called "the lack of prudence that they were at the lack of prudence that the called "the lack of prudence that the lack of prudence that the lack of the lack

he communication brought by Mr. redondo to the State Department, graphed from Mexico City by Gen.

NO REAL SURPLUS UNDER 1878 LAW

Caused by Law Limiting and House Cutting D. C.

REPEAL LAW OF 1909 THAT

BY THEODORE W. NOYES.

under the half-and-half arrangement maintenance and upbuilding. This ex reasing the local taxation, since Wash merican cities.

findings of that committee dispose of the charge that Washingtonians are

Holds U. S. Commander Responsible.

"According to the statement made by the interpreter who was acting as guide for the American forces, the commander of the latter is responsible for the encounter.

"Please make proper representations to the department and say to the Secretary of State that this government finds it difficult to understand why the American troops that took part in the dorse taken of 1909, the taw of 1909, the taw of 1909, the surplus of unexpended local revenues, which, however, means nothing except that Congress has so neglected to legislate and appropriate for the capital.

The law of 1909, there exists automatically and except that Congress has so neglected to legislate and appropriate for the capital.

engagement should have been at Carrizal, a point on the line of the Mexican Central railroad some distance from Ciudad Juarez, and rather far from the point which is alleged to be the base of the rest of the American troops, which entered Mexico by Columbus. Further details will follow."

Mr. Arredondo was with Secretady Lansing twelve minutes. He said his dispatches showed that a number of dead were left on the field of the enengagement should have been at Carri- The half-and-half law should be mai expended upon the capital, such surplu can be easily and advantageously pre-vented by omitting from consideratio as District revenue for doubling pur poses under the law the District reve nues from all licenses, and especiall liquor licenses.

Estimates Do Not Show Full Needs.

pose," he said, "I shall be con-with Mr. Baker a number of had ordered American consular officers had all been arranged for and that the their instructions and knew what to do He did not anticipate the immediate departure of Mr. Rodgers, the special agent of the State Department at Mexico City.

Secretary Baker took to the White House during the morning the dispatches from Gen. Funston of last right, which gave what information he was able to obtain from Mexican (Continued on Second Page.)

Home Circulation of Sunday Newspapers

From a careful investigation of the Sunday newspapers it was found that The Sunday Star is read in almost as many homes as the three other Sunday newspapers combined,

This gives to The Sunday Star a circulation value for advertisers exceeding the their instructions and knew what to do.

By act of March 3, 1909, 35 Stat., 728, by act of March 8, 1909, 35 Stat., 728, the Commissioners are required not to submit estimates in excess of twice the estimated revenue of the District for the fiscal year to be provided for, after taking into consideration all charges against said revenues in other than the District bill.

This unwise law research the Commissioners are supported by the commissioners and the commissioners are supported by the commissioners are required by

This unwise law prevents the Commissioners from suggesting to Congress any alternative methods of expending the District revenues and confines them to a single line of proposals within the limits of the probable revenues. The result follows that if Congressioners within the limits of the probable revenues. The result follows that if Congress disapproves any suggested expenditure there remains an unexpended surplus of District revenue, unless Congress substitutes some other wise expenditure in its place. If Congress does not substitute some better method of spending this revenue than that proposed by the Commissioners and rejected by Congress, the District's legislature is blamable. The reasoning which treats this failure of Congress to select from the many municipal needs of the District sufficient to absorb the available revenues as proof of the absence of such needs and of an (Continu t on Thirteenth Page.)



AMERICANS STARTED

AMERICAN TROOP

CONFLICTING REPORTS

OF FIRST FIGHT

Will Be Mustered Into Government Service, But Some May Not Be Accepted.

ALL WELL AND HAPPY

Gen. Harvey Praises His Men and Says They Will Be Ready to Answer When Called.

More than 2,000 Washington nen, drawn from all branches of

and then probably from 5 to 10
per cent of them will be returned to their families. That is the percentage that Brig. Gen. Willer to qualify under the strict age and medical tests. That means that probably 150 of the boys now in camp will be back home within camp will be back home within a couple of days. The rest are likely to be in the camp for several months, if they are not soon sent to the Mexican border.

Officers of the camp today say they would not be surprised to get orders to send certain portions of their comcamp administration is being based on the supposition that they will all be in camp for several months.

Become Regulars Tomorrow.

It is definitely settled that the mustering into the regular army will be tonorrow. Capt. Horace P. Hobbs, the infantry inspector instructor, received definite orders today from the headquarters of the Department of the East at Governors Island, designating him as assistant mustering officer at the camp. The chief mustering officer for

Gen. Harvey Proud of Men.

the brigade headquarters said:
"I am pleased with what has already been done in camp. It is being rapidly put into service shape. The men are in the regular army have made the round and have complimented the District roops on the excellent way in which they have adapted themselves to an un fortunate field condition. The heavy storm last night, coming upon this soft clay ground, made the camp a very dis agreeable place for service, but we are getting it drained off and before night

"I am proud now of the caliber of men that are in the service here. It is truly representative of the citizen-ship of the District, and will stand up as well as any similar organization from other states. We will be ready for service when called upon."

Gen. Hugh L. Scott, chief of staff of the army, visited the camp last even-ing and congratulated the officers on the way they had weathered the storm.

eing maintained in the city, any re the government service and the cruits who go out, look over the camp ndustrial life of the capital, are and desire to see service on the border will be welcomed by the officers here well and happy today in the A wide-open recruiting station is being maintained right in the camp, and trict was made today by repre- and commanding all Juarez and its apmobilization camp near Fort the man will have the right to pick any organization which he might wish to serve in.

Tomorrow these men will be The recruiting campaign will mustered into the government that end. Officers here have no doubt service as regular army troops, but what the necessary number of men will be available before the call come and then probably from 5 to 10 for service on the border. At the rate

Inspection of Tents.

were filled up and a few other sanitary pyramidal tents were rolled up for the

to send certain portions of their com-mand to the border any day, but the without the heavy pack equipment,

permitted to slip by on one thing wrong. As long as the squads do things wrong they will be kept at their drill. Everything must be perfect, particularly the discipline, before the soldiers get by the drillmasters safely.

Is Christened by Rain

Before Tents Are Up

Citizens' Representatives Appear and Urge "Half and Half" Plan.

SAY HOUSE OFFERED NOTHING IN ITS STEA

Declare Present System, Long in Use, Has Proved Its

committee handling the District appropriation bill to strike from that measure the House rider doing away with the half-and-half plan of appropriating for the Dissentatives of the joint citizens'

behind closed doors.

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Then some of the companies were taken out on the road skirting the Arlington cemetery wall and put through foot movements. This was without the heavy pack equipment, which they lugged into camp with them yesterday.

The men will be drilled as they have probably never known before. Under Sergts. Garner and Simmons, both of the regular army, who have been serving as instructors, every detail will be insisted upon, and a man will not be permitted to slip by on one thing wrong. As long as the squads do things wrong they will be kept at their drill. Everything must be perfect, particularly the discipline, before the soldiers get by the drillmasters safely.

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Mr. Macfarland described the organizations discipled the organization of the joint citizens' committee of one hundrate of the committee of one hundred on the half-and-half plan, the Federation of Cittzens' Associations and other civic organizations to present the facts to Congress in support of the continuance of the "half-and-half" plan and what it had done in its brief and arguments before the joint committee of Congress last year. He stated the formation of the Board of Trade, the Chamber of Commerce directors strongly opposing the rider for the supplies, armament, food and forage were being hastily loaded into freight cars. Capt. James Allisoh, provost marshal of Elpaso, hastily loaded into freight cars. Capt. James Allisoh, provost marshal of Elpaso, proceived a report from a Mexican some of the reason support of the committee of the committee of the malf-and-half" plan, the Federation of Cittzens' Associations and other civic organizations to present the federation of the passon, received a report from a Mexican committee of the "half-and-half" plan and what it had done in its brief and arguments before the

Arguments for District.

citizens' committee represented not only

U.S. LOSS IS 12, AND NOT 45, IN ENCOUNTER, IS MEXICAN REPORT

Late Accounts of Battle near Villa Ahumada Show Enemy's Casualties 13 Killed, 40 Wounded.

With Guns at El Paso Trained on Juarez, Carranza Garrison Begins Evacuation of Town Across the Rio Grande.

SAN ANTONIO, Tex., June 22.—Gen. Pershing reported to Gen. Funston today that he had not yet received a report on the fight at Carrizal, but added that on information sent to him he had sent out two squadrons of the 11th Cavalry with instructions to get into touch with the troop of the 10th that was engaged yesterday by the Mexican forces.

Gen. Funston made it plain that Gen. Pershing's first report has not altered the general situation, and that no special orders will be issued until Gen. Pershing has rendered a report in detail of the Carrizal fight and incidents that led to it.

Gen. Pershing said that all his men had positive orders not to do anything calculated to precipitate a fight with troops of the de facto government.

EL PASO, Tex., June 22.-According to the Mexican consulate oday the American detachment engaged in the fight near Villa Ahumada yesterday lost twelve men instead of forty-five, as was reported in the Mexican version of the encounter given out by Gen. Gonzales, the Carranza commander at Juarez.

In addition to the twelvé men killed, among whom was the commander of the force, seventeen United States troopers were taken prisoners. The American commander is supposed to have been Capt. Lewis S. Morey.

The Mexican losses included fourteen killed and about thirty

The Mexican consulate here today announced that it had rereived complete details from Villa Ahumada. It was stated that the Americans when they withdrew took their wounded with them.

Advices from San Antonio this forenoon are to the effect that Gen. Funston, after waiting until 10 o'clock this morning for a report from Gen. Pershing concerning the Carrizal engagement, sent him a message urging him to expedite his report. Mexicans claim they captured twenty horses and twenty rifles.

nalf evacuated at 10 o'clock today by the Carranza garrison. It was officially reported that three trainloads of the Carranza garrison. It was officially reported that three trainloads of
soldiers had gone southward during
the early morning, and that three more

American army officials expressed the opinion that evacuation would be completed during the day, until the Mexicans were beyond the range of the American artillery. Gen. Bell instead of going to For Bliss remained down town at his temporary headquarters. A battery of 4.7 guns, capable of throwing a sixty-pound explosive six miles, pointed their noses threateningly over El Paso in the direction of Juarez, while developments in the situation arising from the battle at Carrizal were awaited.

Juarez first learned of the fight in a vague form in the early afternoon. The civillan population then began to pack their household goods.

Many already had left for interior points by a morning train in anticipation of the trouble. Others crossed to El Paso later in the day.

A curious scene was a procession of civillans carrying arms. In age they ranged from small boys, not as tall as their guns, up to old men. Most of them were in the ragged dress of the peon, but some belonged to the better class.

Guns Trained on Juarez.

Stationed at Golden Hill, at an eleration permitting a sweeping view of the Mexican side of the Rio Grande proaches, these guns were expected to dominate any movement that may be made by Carranza forces. Down along

dominate any movement that may be made by Carranza forces. Down along the river machine gun companies from Gen. Bell's command were ready, to take their position at advantageous points, while at remote stations the remainder of his men awaited orders.

Argument was made that the flouse had stricken down the plan of financing the District government, which for many years has proved its worth, without offering anything in its place.

Those Making Appeal.

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With every precaution taken, however, for the protection of the city, hope continued to be expressed that tension might abate. No shot will be fired from this side of the international boundary unless hostile action is initiated on the other side.

The Mexican officials here and in Juarez appears the proved its worth, without offering anything in its place.

The Mexican officials here and in Juarez appears the proved its worth, without effect on the general situation. Inasmuch as they had been in communication with the might observers thought it possible that this might be the view of Gen. Carranza and his advisers.

No American Molested.

No instance of any attempt to molest advisers in the town toward the mills. Many wagons filled with women and children were bound also in that direction.

No American Molested.

No instance of any attempt to molest any American was reported during the daytime. After dark no American is being the fired from this side of the international boundary unless hostile action is initiated on

Night Preparation for Evacuation. Reports to Gen. George Bell, jr., Merchants' Association, addressed the trict, indicated that hurried preparations for the departure of the 4,000 troops under Gen. Francisco Gonzales committee, and a number of other citizens were made in Juarez during the night. Troop trains, with steam up, stood in the railway yards, while supplies,

Preparations for Quitting City. Preparations apparently were under

way for the peaceful evacuation. Several troop trains have been pulled into the railroad yards ready for immediate use. Andreas Garcia, Mexican consul in El Paso, crossed the Rio Grande, following the first reports of the engagement, and remained with Gen. Gonzales through the night. He kept in touch with Gen. Bell on the American side by telephone, however. Neither the consul nor the Mexican military authorities would discuss report of the proposed evacuation.

A large number of the citizens of the town were busy loading their foursehold goods on vans and other vericles.

Juarez first learned of the fight in

class.

Warlike activity was first noticed at the railway yard, where a string of freight cars lay coupled to several day coaches that bore the name of the army corps of the north. A number of men were employed there in stowing sacks of beans and flour, forage and other army supplies. Late in the afternoon a rather large body of Mexican cavalry passed through the town toward the

Although the street car service from El Paso to Juarez has been frequently stopped at night when trouble looked imminent, as three nights ago, the traffic continued as usual last evening. At the international bridge

At the international bridges there was no sign of excitement.

Consul Garcia said that a message from Mexico City had been received which stated that the rebels in the states of Zacatecas and Coahuila had given up their fight and joined the Carranza government.

SAN ANTONIO, Tex., June 22.-Gen. Funston's headquarters reflected early today the unrelieved strain in the American-Mexican situation.

The night had passed without news rom Gen. Pershing, and army officers ere professed to see a remaining hance that war might be averted, al-

doubt as to the American relations with that of Carra

American troopers prisoner.
Mr. Lansing was uncommunicative as to what he had told Mr. Arredondo, and

with the Secretary of War.

was equally silent as to his conferences

U. S. Consuls Are Instructed.

day Star a circulation value for advertisers exceeding the combined circulation value of any two other Washington Sunday newspapers.

Yesterday's Advertising

Local Display The Evening Star 15,970 2d Newspaper 6,312 3d Newspaper 4,835 4th Newspaper 3,893

The thrifty housewife has learned to profit by reading Star advertisements.

Apparent Surplus Artificial, Estimates.

RESTRICTS D. C. ESTIMATES

Provide by Law for Handling D. C. Surpluses or Deficits and for Preventing an Excessive Surplus.

excess of the sum which can be wisely and economically expended in capital vented by reducing or eliminating the

Congress should consistently appro-

Since 1909 the estimates submitted by the Commissioners no longer represent the full needs of the District. Asked whether it was true that he The law enacted in that year forbids them to follow their previous practice Myer. out of Mexico, Mr. Lansing said that in accordance with the letter and spirit of the organic act of informing Conconsuls now remaining in Mexico had gress with reasonable fullness of the municipal needs and of leaving it to

ations at war strength. Arrange with District authorities to provide tentage or other suitable storage, to furnish guards, fatigue details and clerical assistance, blank forms and instructions for mustering in will be sent to you at mobilization camp in due time."

Gen. Harvey, the camp commandant this morning, and upon his return to

Recruiting On at Camp.

In addition to the recruiting stations

After the few mud puddles in camp arrangements completed there was an inspection of tents, when all of the big

National Guard Camp

The camp of the District National Suard was promptly christened las evening. Almost immediately after the roops marched into the camp after their long bike across the Highway bridge the sky became overcast with heavy black clouds. Officers rode about (Continued on Second Page.)

ARGUE FOR DEATH OF RIDER ENDING D. C. FISCAL PLAN

A strong plez to the Senate sub-

burg of the Board of Trade, A. Leftwich Sinclair of the Chamber of Commerce and C. J. Columbus, secretary of the Retail ubcommittee on the subject. Corcoran Thom, a member of the joint citizens' vere present at the hearing, which was

Mr. Macfarland said that the joint

taxpayers but national citizens wh have made their full contributions to national taxes and in far larger proportion than many states and who had portion than many states and who had contributed in every war more than their quota of troops, as they were new doing in response to the call of the President; that they have contributed far, more than their share, beginning with the nineteen original proprietors, to the national building reservations, parks and to the city streets given in fee to the United States. He said that (Continued on Twelfth Page.)

Anxiety at Funston's Headquarters.

men at Carrizal had been the aggressor.

Frank skepticism was aroused by the suggestion that Gen. Gomez might not have been attempting to enforce the Carranza edict by force, and it was pointed out that his determination to force the Americans back to their own line was indicated by the official admission that he had sent a messenger to the American commander advising him to withdraw.

Gen. Funston spen the nigh in efforts to learn more details of what occurred at Carrizal, but in conformity with the known attitude of the administration not to precipitate war without orders or sufficient cause, he remained steadfast in his determination not to authorise moves that would dissipate all

Scrutinize Reports Carefully,